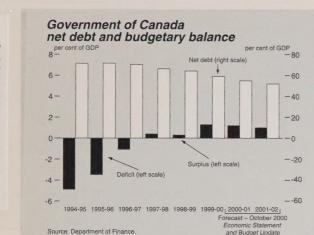
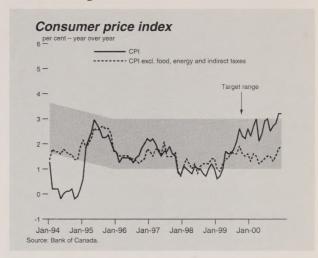
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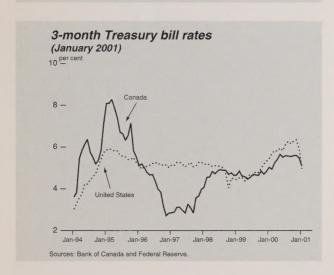
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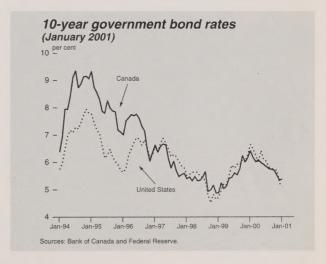
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Upcoming economic data releases of interest

February

January CPI (February 15)

2000 Q4 National Accounts (February 28)

March

February Labour Force Survey (March 9)

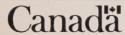
February CPI (March 21)

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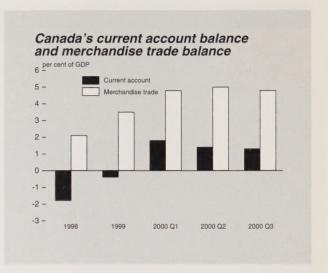
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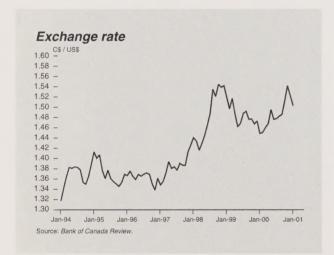


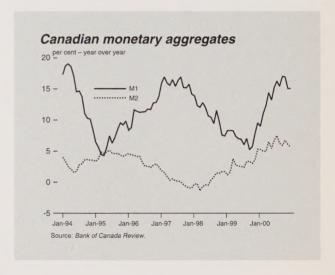


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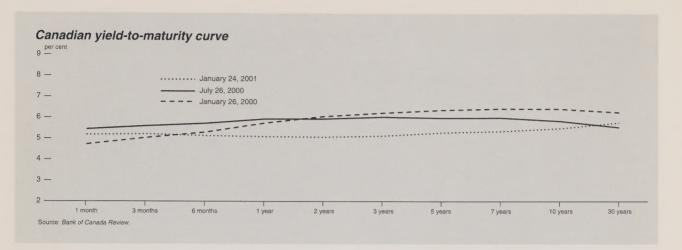
| | | | | 2000 | |
|---|------|------|-----------|------|-----|
| | 1998 | 1999 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 |
| Annualized growth rates | | | (per cent | :) | |
| Real GDP | 3.3 | 4.5 | 5.5 | 4.6 | 4.8 |
| GDP excluding inventories | 3.9 | 4.7 | 6.0 | 4.9 | 3.0 |
| Final domestic demand | 2.8 | 4.4 | 5.8 | 5.7 | 5.9 |
| Employment growth | 2.7 | 2.8 | 3.8 | 1.6 | 0.7 |
| Other | | | | | |
| Unemployment rate | 8.3 | 7.6 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 6.9 |
| Current account balance (percentage of GDP) | -1.8 | -0.4 | 1.8 | 1.4 | 1.3 |

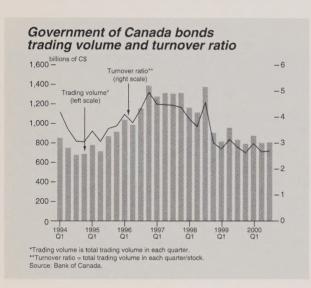


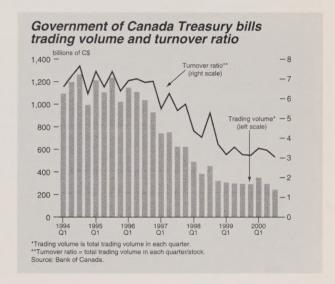




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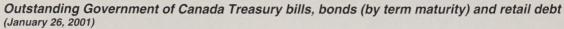


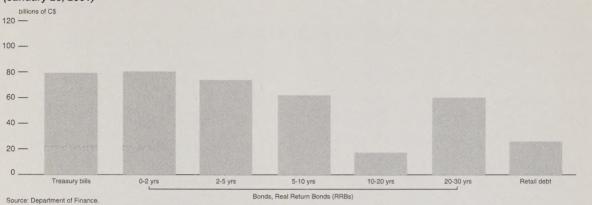
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Recent Government of Canada bond auction results

| Auction date | Term | Maturity date | Coupon rate | Issue amount | Average price | Average yield | Auction coverage* | Tail** |
|----------------|---------|---------------|-------------|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|
| | (years) | | (%) | (millions of dollars) | | (%) | | (basis points) |
| Jan. 24, 2001 | 10 | June. 1, 2011 | 6 | 2,500 | 103.694 | 5.525 | 2.5 | 1.4 |
| Dec. 6, 2000 | 30 | Dec. 1, 2031 | 4*** | 350 | 110.415 | 3.45 | 2.9 | n.a. |
| Nov. 22, 2000 | 2 | June 1, 2003 | 5.75 | 3,500 | 99.844 | 5.818 | 2.7 | 0.4 |
| Oct. 30, 2000 | 10 | June 1, 2011 | 6 | 2,400 | 102.506 | 5.681 | 2.7 | 0.8 |
| Sept. 13, 2000 | 2 | Dec. 1, 2002 | 6 | 3,500 | 100.467 | 5.768 | 2.4 | 0.5 |

^{*}Coverage is defined as the ratio of total bids at auction to the amount auctioned.

Source: Department of Finance

Forthcoming Government of Canada bond auctions

| Type of issue | Auction date (2001) | Further details of issue (2001) | Dated and delivered (2001) | Amount maturing* |
|----------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| | | | | (millions of dollars) |
| 2-year auction | Mar. 14 | Mar. 8 | Mar. 16 | - |
| RRB | Feb. 28 | Feb. 22 | Mar. 5 | - |

Note: Two repurchase operations of Government of Canada marketable bonds are planned under the bond repurchase program. One repurchase operation will take place in the 10-year sector and a second in the 5-year sector. Further details will be released on January 18 and February 2, respectively.

^{**}Tail is defined as the high accepted yield minus the average yield.

^{***}RRB

^{*} Maturity of \$12,575 million on March 1, 2001.

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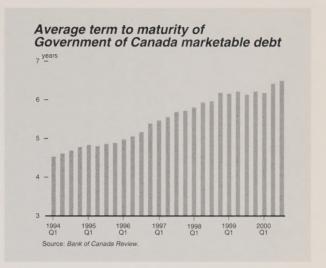
Government of Canada bond market benchmarks (January 31, 2001)

| Term | Maturity | Coupon | Amount outstanding | Yield (Jan. 31, 2001) |
|-----------|---------------|--------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| | | (%) | (millions of dollars) | (%) |
| Fixed-co | upon | | | |
| 2-year | Dec. 1, 2002 | 6.00 | 7,100 | 4.88 |
| 5-year | Sept. 1, 2005 | 6.00 | 11,100 | 5.14 |
| 10-year | June 1, 2010 | 5.50 | 10,400 | 5.39 |
| 30-year | June 1, 2029 | 5.75 | 10,100 | 5.72 |
| Real retu | rn | | | |
| 30-year | Dec. 1, 2026 | 4.25 | 5,250 | 3.36 |

Note: The normal bid-ask spread on these bonds is around 5 cents.

Source: Department of Finance.

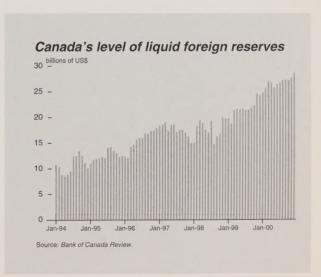
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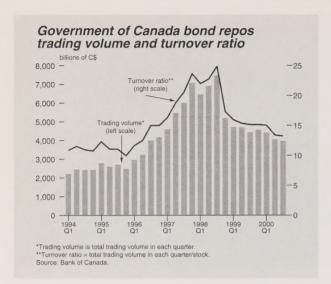
| January-March | April-June | July-September | October-Decembe |
|---------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 2001 | 2001 | 2001 | 2001 |
| | (millions of c | dollars) | |
| 13.000 | 11.875 | 10.600 | 11.764 |

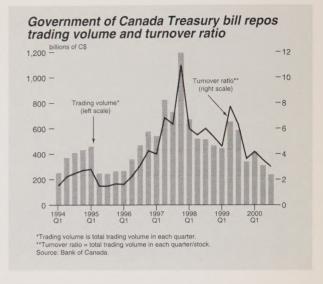
| currency debt (January 22, 2001) | |
|--|-----------------|
| | (US\$ millions) |
| Canada Bills | 3,975 |
| Canada Notes | 638 |
| Outstanding under EMTN program | 3,028 |
| 6½% US\$ bonds maturing May 30, 2001 | 1,000 |
| 61/2% US\$ bonds maturing July 15, 2002 | 1,000 |
| 5%% US\$ bonds maturing February 19, 2003 | 2,000 |
| 6%% US\$ bonds maturing November 30, 2004 | 2,000 |
| 6%% US\$ bonds maturing July 21, 2005 | 1,500 |
| 63/4% US\$ bonds maturing August 28, 2006 | 1,000 |
| 6%% NZ\$ bonds maturing October 3, 2007 | 319 |
| 4%% DM bonds maturing July 7, 2008 | 2,219 |
| 51/4% US\$ bonds maturing November 5, 2008 | 2,500 |

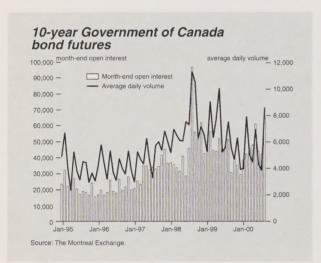
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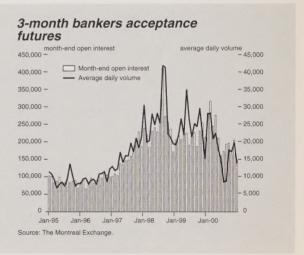


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| Government o | i Canada long-t | erm credit ratings | | |
|---------------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | Standard | Moody's Investors | Canadian Bond | Dominion Bone |
| | & Poor's | Service | Rating Service | Rating Service |
| | Current | Current | Current | Current |
| Domestic debt | AAA | Aa1 | AA+ | AAA |
| - Trend | Stable | Stable | Stable | Stable |
| Foreign debt | AA+ | Aa1 | AA+ | AA (high) |
| - Trend | Stable | Stable | Stable | Stable |

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